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1. On 1 January 1953, the Chinese Communist Revolutionary Military Council authorized the military areas to begin recruiting 8,000 trainees for 13 types of military cadre schools. About 1,200 of these 8,000 recruits are to be sent to aviation schools, 1,000 to navy schools, 600 to artillery schools, 600 to tank schools, 1,000 to air defense schools, and the rest to army engineers, ordnance, automotive, surveying and drawing, chemical warfare, health service, junior infantry, and communications schools.
2. About five thousand of these trainees are to be selected from regular Chinese Communist army personnel, either by draft or by voluntary examination. These army trainees are to be selected from cadres at the squad commander, deputy squad commander, and platoon commander level. The remaining three thousand trainees are to be recruited from intellectuals and the unemployed. Party corps and people's organizations are cooperating in this recruitment drive, which is the fourth of this nature.

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